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For: Pharmaceutical compositions containing  
A COX-II inhibitor and a muscle  
relaxant

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on August 27, 2001.</p> <p align="center">Rick Maros</p> <p>Typed or printed name of person mailing paper</p> <p align="center"></p> <p>Signature of person mailing paper</p>
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2001, Applicants hereby submit the following response.

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 remain pending herein. No claims have been amended and no new claims have been added. Reconsideration of the pending claims is requested.

Claims 1-39 stand subject to a restriction requirement 35 U.S.C. §121 as being related as product and process of use.

The claims have been divided as follows:

- Group 1: Claims 1-8 and 10-38
- Group 2: Claims 9 and 39.


Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, for further prosecution the subject matter of the claims of Group 1 and specifically a composition comprising rofecoxib and pridinol. Claims 1-8 and 10-38 are readable on the elected specie.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response into the record and full consideration thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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